is newly created, a withdrawal priority shall be assigned. That priority number shall be higher than any other slot assigned a withdrawal number previously.

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## § 93.226 Allocation of slots in low-demand periods.

- (a) If there are available slots in the following time periods and there are no pending requests for international or EAS operations at these times, FAA will allocate slots upon request on a first-come, first-served basis, as set forth in this section:
- (1) Any period for which a slot is available less than 5 days per week.
- (2) Any time period for which a slot is available for less than a full season.
- (3) For LaGuardia and Washington National Airports:
  - (i) 6:00 a.m.-6:59 a.m.
  - (ii) 10:00 p.m.-midnight.
- (b) Slots will be allocated only to operators with the economic and operating authority and aircraft required to use the slots.
- (c) Requests for allocations under this section shall be submitted in writing to the address listed in §93.221(a)(1) and shall identify the request as made under this section.
- (d) The FAA may deny requests made under this section after a determination that all remaining slots in a particular category should be distributed by lottery.
- (e) Slots may be allocated on a seasonal or temporary basis under this provision.

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## $\S 93.227$ Slot use and loss.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (g), and (l) of this section, any slot not utilized 80 percent of the time over a 2-month period shall be recalled by the FAA.
- (b) Paragraph (a) of this section does not apply to slots obtained under §93.225 of this part during:
- (1) The first 90 days after they are allocated to a new entrant carrier; or

- (2) The first 60 days after they are allocated to a limited incumbent or other incumbent carrier.
- (c) Paragraph (a) of this section does not apply to slots of an operator forced by a strike to cease operations using those slots.
- (d) In the case of a carrier that files for protection under the Federal bankruptcy laws and has not received a Notice of Withdrawal from the FAA for the subject slot or slots, paragraph (a) of this section does not apply:
- (1) During a period after the initial petition in bankruptcy, to any slot held or operated by that carrier, for:
- (i) 60 days after the carrier files the initial petition in bankruptcy; and
- (ii) 30 days after the carrier, in anticipation of transferring slots, submits information to a Federal government agency in connection with a statutory antitrust, economic impact, or similar review of the transfer, provided that the information is submitted more than 30 days after filing the initial petition in bankruptcy, and provided further that any slot to be transferred has not become subject to withdrawal under any other provision of this §93.227; and
- (2) During a period after a carrier ceases operations at an airport, to any slot held or operated by that carrier at that airport, for:
- (i) 30 days after the carrier ceases operations at that airport, provided that the slot has not become subject to withdrawal under any other provision of this §93.227; and
- (ii) 30 days after the parties to a proposed transfer of any such slot comply with requests for additional information by a Federal government agency in connection with an antitrust, economic impact, or similar investigation of the transfer, provided that—
- (A) The original notice of the transfer is filed with the Federal agency within 30 days after the carrier ceases operation at the airport;
- (B) The request for additional information is made within 10 days of the filing of the notice by the carrier;
- (C) The carrier submits the additional information to the Federal agency within 15 days of the request by such agency; and